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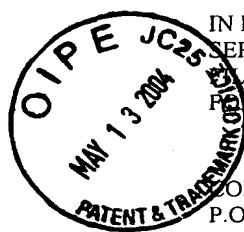
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FOR: REVERSIBLE HYDROGEL SYSTEMS AND METHODS THEREOF

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97



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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
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RELATED CASES

Attached is a copy of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. These documents are listed on form PTO-1449, also attached.
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Please charge any additional fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 23-2185. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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